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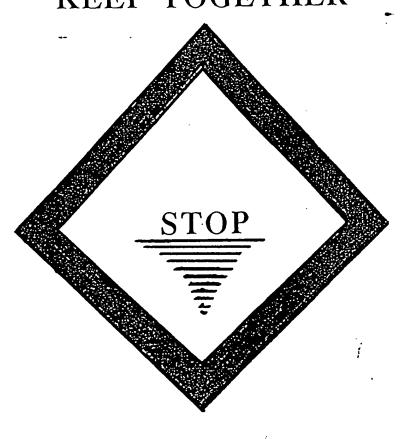
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DESCRIPTION

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Photographs of Plant (2 copies)

Check (1) Description of plant photograph (20018).

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